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E.O. 11652 ADS, EXEMPT

TAGS: SCUL

SUBJ: HARKNESS BALLET PRIVATE TOUR

REF: CAIRO 0613

1. THE DEPARTMENT SPONSORED HARKNESS BALLET ON ONE TOUR AF/NEA IN 1966. HOWEVER, COMPANY CHANGES EACH YEAR WITH NEW ARTISTIC DIRECTOR AND CURRENT GROUP IS NOT KNOWN TO DEPT. DANCE PANEL.

2. PANEL HAS DISCUSSED HARKNESS BALLET ON MANY OCCASIONS. LATEST WAS MAY 1972. MAJORITY OF PANEL DID NOT ARTISTICALLY ENDORSE COMPANY SAYING THAT WHILE IT IS A BEAUTIFULLY PERFORMING COMPANY, IT IS WEAK CHOREOGRAPHICALLY, THEIR REPERTOIRE IS OFTEN IN BAD TASTE, FLAMBOYANT, SENSATIONAL AND DEVOID OF LYRICAL QUALITY. FYI THE PANEL UNANIMOUSLY AND STRONGLY EXPRESSED VIEW THAT NOT ONE CENT OF USG MONEY SHOULD GO INTO THIS COMPANY SINCE IT IS FINANCIALLY VIABLE END FYI.

3. SINCE WE UNDERSTAND APPEARANCES EGYPT WOULD BE  
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COMMERCIAL UNDERTAKING WITHOUT USG FUNDING, USINTS SECTION

MAY OFFER APPROPRIATE COURTESIES SHOULD TOUR TAKE PLACE. KISSINGER

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